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**PATENT APPLICATION**

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Sir:

Enclosed herewith for filing is the following **utility patent application**:

Applicant(s): James B. Armstrong and Christopher W.B. Goode

Title of application: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR HIERARCHAL  
DISTRIBUTION OF VIDEO CONTENT FOR AN  
INTERACTIVE INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION  
SYSTEM

Pages of specification: (19 + 5 pages of claims and 1 page  
abstract)

Sheets of drawing: 6

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☒ Two (2) assignments of the application to: DIVA Systems Corporation  
☐ Claim(s) to priority  
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Respectfully submitted,

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